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August 10, 2005

Mr. Joseph Cosentino United States Environmental Protection Agency 2890 Woodbridge Avenue, Bldg. 209, Mail Stop 211 Edison, New Jersey 08837 VIA FAX AND U.S. MAIL

RE: Bayonne Barrel & Drum Site, Newark, NJ Progress Report No. 18

Dear Mr. Cosentino:

On behalf of the Bayonne Barrel & Participating Parties and pursuant to Paragraph 23 of the Administrative Order on Consent, enclosed please find three (3) copies of Progress Report No. 18 covering the period from July1, 2005 through July 31, 2005.

Very truly yours,

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William J/Lee

CC:

- S. Flanagan, USEPA
- S. Kehayes, NJDEP
- J. Jones, City of Newark
- J. Allaire, Kirkpatrick & Lockhart
- W. Hyatt, Kirkpatrick & Lockhart
- D. Reid-Green, BASF
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## BAYONNE BARREL & DRUM SUPERFUND SITE PROGRESS REPORT NO. 18

July 1, 2005 through July 31, 2005

Description of the Actions Taken Toward Achieving Compliance with the Administrative Order on Consent Since the Previous Report:

- A letter was submitted via electronic mail on July 12, 2005 (Letter No. 3) to address outstanding items to proceed with disposal of the waste streams on-site. The letter confirms that the proposed site work will proceed upon EPA's acceptance that all matters are resolved.
- Site security continues to be maintained at the site with guard service and video surveillance.
- The Remedial Investigation Report prepared for submittal to the NJDEP pursuant to the Technical Requirements was submitted on January 18, 2005.
- Work activities in connection with the preparation of the Remedial Action Selection Report are continuing.

Summary of all Results of Sampling, Tests or Other Data Received or Generated Since the Previous Report:

None

Completed Deliverables Since the Previous Report:

None.

Actions Planned Prior to Submittal of Final Completion Report:

- Transport roll-off boxes with Courtyard residue off-site for disposal.
- Prepare documentation of all site disposal activities.
- Submit Progress Report No. 18-August 2005.
- Continue Monthly Progress Reporting.



Mr. Joseph Cosentino Bayonne Barrel & Drum Superfund Site Progress Report No. 18 August 10, 2005

## Percentage Completion:

Work Plan Submittal and Approval- 100% Construction Operations Plan Implementation - 95% Post-Removal Site Control Plan - 0% Final Report - 0%

## Delays Encountered or Anticipated:

None currently identified.